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My Dear Prof.

Yesterday I took a walk into the mountains above the Powder Mill to get willows for Bebb and chanced to find a small run of the new "Manzanita." It was beautiful to look at all covered with flowers at this season and remembering that I promised you some for your herbarium I herewith send you a lot. They may curl up a little on drying altho' I put them in papers and tied the package tight so as to act as a press somewhat. You will see the old leaves are still on the

stem.— On my return I found your letter in reference to your niece. I have no doubt she would be a valuable addition to our corps of teachers and I wish I could say come at once. But our school opens in about two weeks and there would not be time for her to get any kind of certificate, without which we could not employ a teacher. The only certificate recognized by our State from abroad is a State Normal School Diploma. I think this law will be changed very soon so as to include competent teachers from other states.

Better defer her coming until next summer or autumn for this reason. Altho' if here now I could find a place for her soon after the examination of teachers which takes place in march.

We have built a large school of 12 rooms and are very anxious to have it open well and with good teachers. There is scarcely a Doubt but Miss Bragg whenever she thinks best to come would find employment soon.

The pay for teachers in places like Santa Cruz is about 60.$ to 80$ per month.

Now we have over 30 inches rain at Santa Cruz. Good for other parts of State but not for Santa Cruz. We generally have too much when they only have enough back from the Coast.

Yours Truly
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